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AMENDMENT

Please amend the pending application in accordance with the following particulars.

In the Claims

The claims are amended as shown on the following pages under the heading AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS. The list shows the status of all claims presently in the application and is intended to supersede all prior versions of the claims in the application. Any cancellation of claims is made without prejudice or disclaimer.

AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS

Claims 1-22 (Canceled).

Claim 23 (Currently Amended). A method for manufacturing corrugated board, wherein distinct material strips are fastened together by ~~means of~~ a bonding agent, comprising: guiding at least a corrugated material strip along at least one pressing device in which said corrugated material strip is guided over at least one support element and is pressed against said support element by ~~means of~~ a set of movable pressing parts, wherein for pressing on these pressing parts, use is made of magnetic forces, each of which are provided by an attraction or a repulsion between two permanent magnets situated directly opposite to each other, one of which is in contact with a respective one of the set of the movable pressing parts at least one permanent magnet.

Claim 24 (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 23, wherein the magnetic forces provide the only pressing force for the pressing on step.

Claim 25 (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 23, wherein said steps of ~~fastening~~, guiding and pressing are carried out at a location where bonding agent is applied against said corrugated material strip, and the support element comprises an element by which a bonding agent is provided against said corrugated material strip.

Claim 26 (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 23, wherein said steps of fastening, guiding and pressing are carried out at a location where two material strips are joined together, and wherein one of the strips has already been provided with a bonding agent.

Claim 27 (Canceled).

Claim 28 (Canceled).

Claim 29 (Currently Amended). The method according to claim 23, wherein the magnetic forces are at least also provided by a magnetic attraction between the support element and the pressing parts, through the corrugated material strip which is guided between the support element and the pressing parts.

Claim 30 (Previously Presented). The method according to claim 23, wherein use is made of adjusting means with which the magnetic forces, and thus also the pressing force, exerted on the pressing parts, can be either or both adjusted and set.

Claim 31 (Canceled).

Claim 32 (Withdrawn). A device for manufacturing corrugated board of the type in which different material strips are fastened together by means of a bonding agent, comprising a press-on device along which at least one material strip is guided; said at least one press-on device including at least one support element over which the material strip is guided and against which the material strip is pressed by means of a series of moveable press-on parts upon which a force is exerted by means of a pressure device; and wherein the pressure device at least partially comprises magnetically co-operating parts.

Claim 33 (Withdrawn). The device according to claim 32, wherein the pressure device is actuated solely by the use of the magnetically co-operating parts.

Claim 34 (Withdrawn). The device according to claim 32, wherein the movable press-on part comprises movable press-on shoes.

Claim 35 (Withdrawn). The device according to claim 32, wherein the support element against which the material strip is pressed by means of the press-on parts comprises an element which is arranged to supply a bonding agent against a material strip.

Claim 36 (Withdrawn). The device according to claim 32, comprising a station in which at least two material strips are joined together and in which they are fastened together by means of a bonding agent, and in which the support element and the press-on parts are arranged to join together the material strips.

Claim 37 (Withdrawn). The device according to claim 32, wherein at least a number of the magnetically cooperating parts comprise permanent magnets.

Claim 38 (Withdrawn). The device according to claim 32, wherein the magnetically cooperating parts comprise two magnets situated opposite to each other and which attract or repel each other.

Claim 39 (Withdrawn). The device according to claim 32, wherein the magnetically cooperating parts are situated on either side of the material strip, respectively.

Claim 40 (Withdrawn). The device according to claim 32, wherein the magnetically co-operating parts comprise at least two parts situated on the same side of a material strip on the one hand and arranged to create a magnetic repulsion, and of two parts situated on opposite sides of the material strip arranged to create a magnetic attraction through the material strip on the other hand.

Claim 41 (Withdrawn). The device according to claim 32, including an adjusting device by means of which the magnetic forces, and thus also the press-on force exerted by the press-on parts, can be either or both adjusted and set.

Claim 42 (Withdrawn). A device for manufacturing corrugated board in which different material strips are fastened together by means of a bonding agent comprising: at least one press-on device including a support element over which said strip is guided; a series of moveable press-on parts associated with the press-on device arranged to press the strip against the support element; and a pressure device arranged to exert a force used by the press-on parts for pressing the strip against the support element; said pressure device including an adjusting device by means of which the force exerted by the pressure device can be either or both adjusted and set.

Claim 43 (Withdrawn). The device according to claim 42, wherein the adjusting device comprise remote-controlled drive means by means of which the force exerted on the press-on means can be either or both adjusted and set.

Claim 44 (Withdrawn). The device according to claim 42, wherein the adjusting device can be individually set for at least a number of press-on parts.